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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: Flow Control Method For A Virtual Container  
Trunk Of Metropolitan-Area Network  
Transmission Equipment

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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Dear Madam:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated February 17, 2009, finally rejecting claims 1-20, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.